EDACOCHI TOLL.

198. Mr. Ismail Hajee Essa Sait (*Mattancheri*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how long it is now since the Edacochi toll is established;

(*b*) what is the distance between the Edacochi toll station and the adjacent Municipal toll station?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*):

(*a*) The toll was established in the year 1107, i. e., about 7 years back.

(*b*) Nearly 5 miles.

KOONAMMUCHI-GURUVAYUR ROAD—EXTENSION OF.

199. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the year in which the Koonammuchi-Guruvayur road in Talappalli taluk was opened;

(*b*) whether the Government have any intention of extending it westward in the near future;

(*c*) whether they have made any consultations with either the Madras Government or the Malabar District Board on the feasibility of extending the road to Guruvayur;

(*d*) what is the distance (approximate) from the present terminus of the road to Guruvayur;

(*e*) what will be the approximate expenditure for opening up the road to Guruvayur?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*):

(*a*) In 1110.

(*b*) The extension is through British territory; and so the work has to be taken up by that Government.

(*c*) No. But it is understood that the Malabar District Board is taking action on the construction of the road.

(*d*) About 2 miles.

(*e*) Rs. 15,000.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): May I know the source of the information of the Government that the Malabar District Board is taking action for the construction of the road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): There is no official information. But on enquiry among the local people they said that they had seen the surveyors of the Malabar District Board surveying the road?

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Have the Government ascertained the fact?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): No.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): Has not the Government made provision for a lump sum?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): Since this is an inter-statal boundary this Government may have no objection to pay a moiety.

MANGAYIL-NETTUR ROAD—PROGRESS MADE IN CONSTRUCTION.

200. Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar (*Trippunittura*): Will the Government be pleased to state the progress so far made in the construction of the Mangayil-Nettur road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): Acquisition of portion of the lands required for opening the road completed by utilising the provisions allotted for the work in the Road Board programme for the years 1112 and 1113. Tender for the execution of the work has been accepted.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar (*Trippunittura*): Has the amount allotted for 1113 been completely utilised?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): I think it has been almost completely utilised.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar (*Trippunittura*): Was the land acquisition completed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): A portion only.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar (*Trippunittura*): When do the Government intend to complete the land acquisition?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): It will be completed in the course of the year.

KATTUR-KAKKATHURUTTI ROAD—CONSTRUCTION OF.

201. Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (*Kattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Government has taken any steps in the construction of the proposed Kattur-Kakkathuruthi road;

(*b*) if the answer is in the negative, will the Government be pleased to inform this House, when this question will be taken up?

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